

BANK ROBBED
AT PISTOL POINT;
ROBBER CAUGHT

Cashier of Waterloo, Ill., Institution Hands \$475 Roll of Currency to Youth at Window at 10 A. M.

CROWD SEES ESCAPE
DOWN VILLAGE STREET

Posse Surrounds Cornfield and an Hour Later Captures Robber and Recovers Money—No Resistance Given.

A red-haired young man, who said he came from Joplin, Mo., carrying a large revolver, and later carrying \$475 that belonged to the State Bank of Waterloo, Ill., into the town of Waterloo, Ill., late Wednesday night.

In broad daylight he robbed the assistant cashier of the State Bank of Waterloo of \$475 currency that was at hand.

He was captured an hour later by a posse that formed at the call of the assistant cashier and is now in jail. He gives the name of John W. Dudley and says he is 20 years old.

About 10 a. m., as Assistant Cashier Kaemper was alone in the bank, the young man walked in.

Nothing unusual was noticed about him. As the official looked at him through the little window, expectantly, the young man quickly and with a businesslike air pulled some object from his hip pocket.

Kaemper did not need to look closely to see that it was a big revolver and that the barrel pointed straight at him. "Hand me what money there is in that safe," the stranger commanded.

Kaemper hesitated a moment. The gun barrel moved a trifle higher.

The assistant cashier pulled the money drawer out of the safe and laid it on the counter while he gathered up the currency for the robber.

His Movements Deliberate.

The latter deliberately rolled the bills up, wrapped a piece of paper about them and placed them in his pocket. Then he turned and walked leisurely toward the street.

As he disappeared out the door, Kaemper hurriedly closed the door of the safe and ran after him into the street, where he gave the alarm that the bank had been robbed.

The cry was taken up by others on the street, and the course of the fleeing man was followed by the eye until he disappeared into a cornfield four blocks from the bank.

A small posse, consisting of Sheriff Thomas Ruch, Deputy Sheriff William Puder, William Tolen and George Ruch, was hurriedly organized and surrounded the cornfield.

It was impossible to tell where the man was hidden, as he was apparently lying very still and there was no movement of the corn.

It was nearly an hour before the posse was fully armed and was ready to invade the cornfield, but such a close watch had been that the members of the posse were certain the man had not escaped.

When all were finally armed Tolen and Sheriff Ruch advanced into the cornfield, firing a number of shots over the tops of the corn.

A movement of the stalks showed the course being taken by the alleged robber, who was attempting to escape at the opposite side of the field. Hurrying through the corn they came upon him as he emerged from the field into the arms of George Ruch and Puder.

The man made no resistance when he was captured, but submitted to arrest. He returned the money, which he still had in his possession.

JOB LOST, STRONG
MAN GETS ANGRY

After Bending Bars and Doing Other Stunts He Handles Successor Roughly.

George Weisiger, whose fame as a strong man is the basis of ambition for many hundred South St. Louis small boys, was fined \$5 and costs in Wyoming Street Police Court Wednesday because he used his great strength in "licking" a boss who had "fired" him and hired another man.

Later Judge Kleber sent the fine on payment of costs on the representation of Weisiger's friends that he had a family.

"But I want to warn you against a misuse of your strength," said the Judge. "Don't use it to injure your fellow man; use it for the performance of creditable feats."

Weisiger was employed by Jacob Burmyer, a furniture mover, because of his ability to handle pianos and other heavy articles. Monday, Weisiger did not appear for work Tuesday, when he did appear, he found another man in his place. Burmyer was driving out in his van from his place at West Carroll street. Weisiger climbed into the wagon, lifted Burmyer from his seat and tossed him to the ground.

In Burmyer's behalf it was represented that he gave Saturday and Sunday exhibitions of strength by bending iron bars and doing other phenomenal feats, and he did not understand that Burmyer did not intend Weisiger's place. Burmyer was bruised and shaken up, but not badly hurt.

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SHOWERS,
COOLER
SOON

End of Hot Wave Promised and as Forerunner Mercury Opens at 78, Two Degrees Below Yesterday—90 Predicted.

ST. LOUIS IS COOLEST
BIG CITY IN COUNTRY

Rain and Clouds Are Expected to Keep Mercury at 85 Tomorrow, While Other Places Have No Assurance of Relief.

TEMPERATURE RECORD.

Time	Temp.	Time	Temp.
6 a. m.	80	6 p. m.	80
7 a. m.	79	7 p. m.	80
8 a. m.	78	8 p. m.	80
9 a. m.	78	9 p. m.	80
10 a. m.	78	10 p. m.	80
11 a. m.	78	11 p. m.	80
12 m.	78	12 p. m.	80
1 p. m.	78	1 p. m.	80
2 p. m.	78	2 p. m.	80
3 p. m.	78	3 p. m.	80
4 p. m.	78	4 p. m.	80
5 p. m.	78	5 p. m.	80

"Partly cloudy, with probable thunder showers and somewhat lower temperature tonight and Thursday. Variable winds."

WITH the above cheering prediction, the local forecast official announces the beginning of the end of the hot wave which since Saturday has given a dash of tobacco to life in the greater part of the country east of the Rocky Mountains.

The first sign of the passing was a decrease of two degrees in the temperature at 7 a. m. Wednesday. Monday and Tuesday it was 80; Wednesday it was 78—the lowest temperature shown at that hour by any big city.

The forecast official says this condition will continue throughout the day. He does not expect a higher temperature than 80, whereas 94 was registered Tuesday.

And the best part of it is that he expects still greater improvement tomorrow, with a maximum temperature in the neighborhood of 85 degrees.

Just for lagniappe, the forecaster throws in his predictions about clouds and the probability of thunderstorms. Nobody is particularly eager for the thunder showers; they could not possibly come at a time when they would not interfere with some incident of summer life.



Relief in Breezes.

The variable winds are expected to give some relief. There are some St. Louisans who are willing to make oath that a breeze has not found its way into their windows for six weeks. If the variable winds will only vary enough, all of them should get a share of breeze.

The forecast official says that the high which came in last week from the Southeast and created the atmospheric conditions which caused the intense heat, is disappearing gradually, and will be succeeded by the intermission of a "low" by another high, which is moving down from the Northwest.

This "high" is expected to produce cool weather for at least a little while.

It is expected that all Eastern cities, which have been suffering so painfully under the rule of the hot wave, will begin to report cooler weather this evening or, at the most, tomorrow.

The early morning temperature, together with the maximum records of yesterday, were:

New York, 80 today, 94 yesterday; Boston, 80, 96; Philadelphia, 84, 98; Washington, 82, 96; Pittsburgh, 78, 92; Cincinnati, 80, 88; Chicago, 78, 94; Kansas City, 78, 92; Memphis, 76, 92; Nashville, 78, 94; Louisville, 80, 94; Omaha, 72, 94.

HOW CITY SOUGHT
RELIEF FROM HEAT.

Tuesday night was, for thousands of St. Louisans, the most miserable night of the summer.

Three blistering days and sultry nights had left them in poor shape to withstand another hot night. Their vitality was exhausted, their patience was exhausted and their imaginations were overheated. Therefore, they did in condition to suffer, and they did suffer.

The struggle against the heat of the

MAYOR RAPS
HIMSELF, TO
SIMON'S JOY

His Honor Refuses to Be a Witness, Making a Statement in Which He Declares Charter Provision for Trial Absurd.

CASE AGAINST HEALTH
COMMISSIONER ENDED

Mayor Takes Matter Under Advisement and Promises Decision at Earliest Possible Moment—To File Resume.

The trial of Health Commissioner John H. Simon before Mayor Wells on charges of neglect of duty closed at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The Mayor took the case under advisement.

"I will announce my decision at the earliest possible moment," he said. "There has been considerable demoralization in the Health Department on account of this trial, and I am anxious to get it over with and have things restored to their normal state."

Ex-Attorney-General Crow, for the defense, requested five days in which to file a resume of the case after examining the transcript of the evidence which will be made for record, but the Mayor declined to grant this request, for the reason named.

"Your statement must be filed not later than Thursday morning," he said.

Attorney Thomas J. Rowe then arose, and in his most impressive manner said: "Your Honor, I request that you take the stand as a witness for the defendant."

Mayor Refused to Be Sworn.

"I will not," replied the Mayor.

In a very low voice, looking straight ahead of him, Mayor Wells then made the following remarkable statement: "I desire to say in that connection that the charter of the city of St. Louis provides, among other things, that there shall be a chief executive known as the Mayor, who has general supervision over the affairs of the municipality. He is responsible for the proper conduct of the different divisions and departments of the city government, more especially responsible for the conduct of those divisions or departments presided over directly by an appointive officer."

"The Mayor has the appointive power, he is therefore responsible for his conduct and the conduct of the department over which he presides."

"As my opinion (for what it may be worth) that clause in the city charter that requires the proceedings we have just been going through, namely, the preferring of charges and the holding of a trial of this character, is absurd and if any private business should be subjected to the same, it would go into bankruptcy."

"I have had considerable experience in exercising the appointive power, both in private business as well as public business; in private business for the protection of my personal interests and the interests of those I represent."

"I consider it my bounden duty to regulate the different departments of that private business, in to my personal interest to do so in public affairs I consider it my duty in the public interest to regulate the different departments of the municipality—not my personal interest, but public interest."

"I believe that the request of the defendant, while made in good faith, is equally absurd. The request, I mean, for me, the presiding officer in this trial, to appear as a witness, is equally absurd with the provision of the city charter that prescribes that the Mayor should go through with this formality to regulate the public affairs of the city. Therefore I decline to be a witness in this case."

While the Mayor was speaking the faces of the interested parties were studied.

City Counselor Bates and Private Secretary McConkey gazed in wonderment, with down-dropped jaws.

Mr. Crow, Mr. Rowe and Dr. Simon turned one to the other, smiling and grimacing.

The crowd tittered.

Mayor Wells colored and looked embarrassed.

Dr. Simon on the Stand.

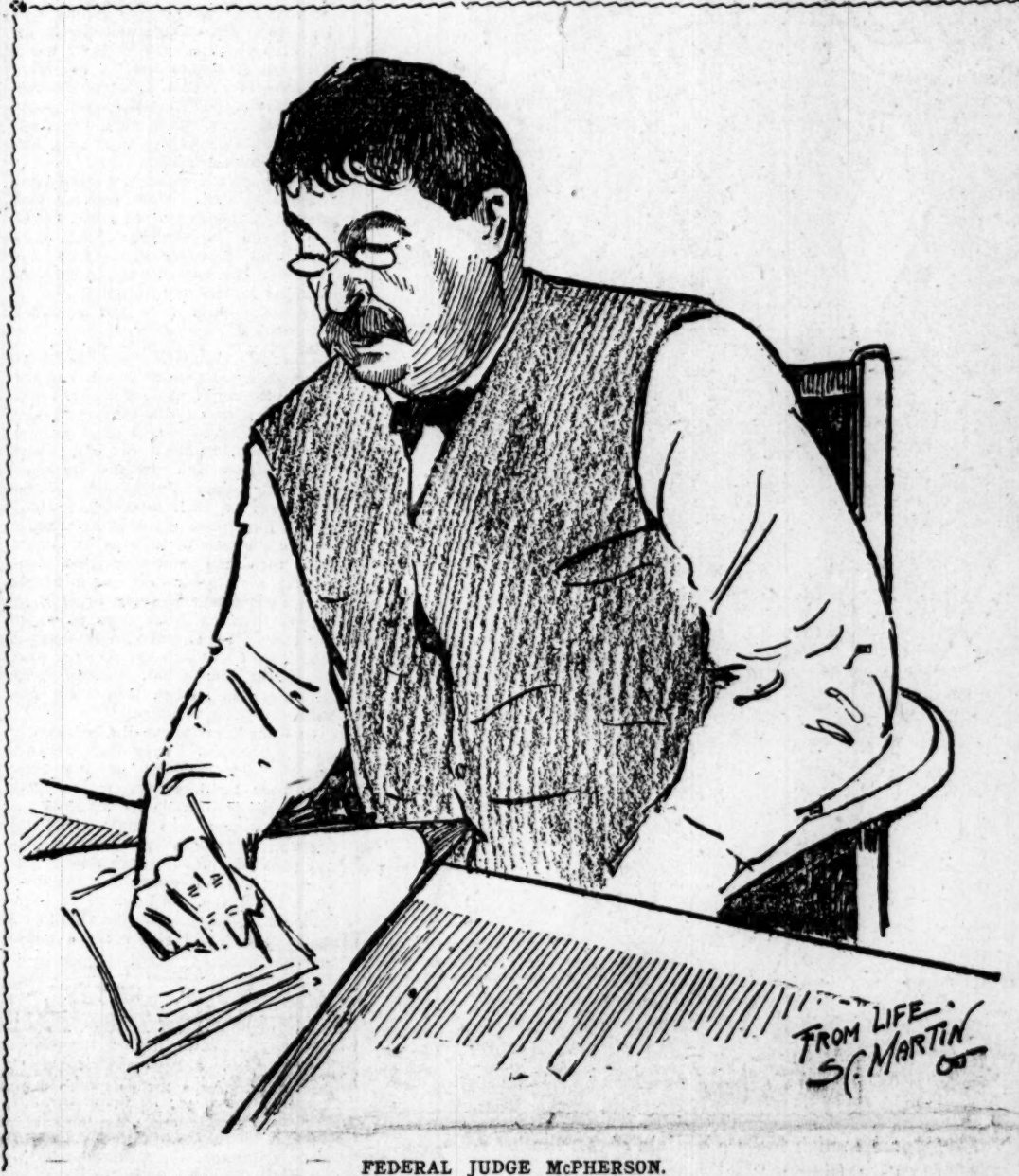
Dr. Simon was the last important witness examined. The matter of his failure to inspect the Workhouse was gone over, as well as the anti-tuberculosis ordinance, of which he was the father, and his exposure of graft in the City Hospital, "where," according to Dr. Simon, "the patients were eating more food in proportion to their number than an army."

"Did the Mayor ever request you to represent him and his administration at any convention?" asked Mr. Rowe, in an endeavor to bring out the Mayor's one-time confidence in, and friendship for, his appointee.

"Yes, sir."

"When were those conventions?"

"One of them was the National Butcher

LEWIS BANK FRAUD ORDER
SUSTAINED; MAIL RETURNED
TO SENDERS; METHODS SCORED

FEDERAL JUDGE MCPHERSON.

TALL WOMAN WITH
JEWELS, MYSTERY

She Is Now in Hospital Where Her Sanity Is Being Investigated.

DIAMONDS WORTH \$2000

Is Taken Into Custody When She Is Unable to Explain Her Position.

A woman who gives the name of Mrs. Maude Branson and says her home is in De Soto, Mo., was Wednesday committed to the St. Clair County, Ill., hospital for five days for observation as to her mental condition.

The commitment was made by County Judge Hay at Belleville after an examination of the mysterious woman, who protested bitterly and tearfully against any interference with her liberty.

She appeared in Belleville Saturday night. She was hatless, carried no baggage, wore a white duck dress of stylish tailoring, and carried a handkerchief, a fan and a parasol. She went to a private house on North High street, where she engaged a room. She took three evening meals at a hotel nearby, but it is not known that she ate anything else.

She wore three large rings, two of which are set with fine diamonds, and a fine diamond brooch. Their estimated value is \$2000. She had no money.

Tuesday evening her behavior became peculiar, and the family with whom she was rooming requested the Sheriff to take charge of her. He did so, and Wednesday escorted her before the Court.

Who said she was the wife of an Iron Mountain railroad conductor, he being her second husband. She declared she had been an actress. She could tell no connected story of why she was in Belleville or how she reached that place.

Her personal appearance is noticeable. She is almost 6 feet tall, and quite slender. She talks as one well educated and familiar with the world. She has the remaining diamond officials brought a statement that Mrs. Branson was not known there, and no one had been reported missing.

Before Mrs. Branson was taken to the hospital she gave the Sheriff a note addressed: "Mr. Rife, stage manager Family Theater, East St. Louis."

HEY! DRIVER IS FINE.

William Dixon, colored, who took a load of hay through the city Tuesday, was fined \$10 and costs by Judge Tracy of City Hall Police Court Wednesday for careless driving. He was also fined \$5 and costs for disturbing the peace. Dixon's wagon collided with a buggy of P. F. Weir, aged 19, of East St. Louis, at Broadway and Washington. Weir's rig was damaged. In addition he alleged the negro talked in a sultry way.

ANGRY WOMAN
SLAPS LAWYER

Defendant in Divorce Suit Arraigned by Him Cries "You Dog."

TALKED OF FILIPINOS

Her Friends Surround Him Leaving Court and Cheers Greet Blow.

An exciting incident occurred in Circuit Court at noon Wednesday, when Judge McDonald was hearing arguments of attorneys for Julius Hahn and Mrs. Julius Hahn, as wife for a modification of the divorce decree which gives the child to the mother for only one day in each week.

Mrs. Hahn, sitting in the jury box, became angry at remarks made by Attorney William Hahn regarding her conduct with Filipino scouts, because of which, in part, the decree was granted to the husband.

She jumped to her feet and shaking her fist in his face, cried: "You dog, don't you dare accuse me of such actions."

Deputy Sheriff Hoepple directed her to return to her seat and the attorney continued the argument.

After the Court had taken the case under advisement Attorney Hahn, leaving the room, found himself surrounded by a group of angry women who scolded him for his utterances toward Mrs. Hahn during his argument.

One of them, Miss Lillie Trenz, aged 15, struck him with her fist and the others applauded the act.

The attorney finally separated himself from the group and escaped.

Pollard Succeeds Burkett.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 13.—Ernest M. Pollard was elected to Congress from the First Congressional District of Nebraska over Francis W. Brown by 260 Pollard succeeds E. J. Burkett, now Senator.

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STANDARD OIL
HEARING RESUMED

Attorneys Argue Application for Presentation of Trust's Books and Papers.

SHOWN STATE DIVIDED

Evidence So Far Offered Is That Each Company Had District to Itself.

Testimony in the proceedings by Attorney-General Hadley to compel a forfeiture of the charters of the Standard Oil and Waters-Pierce Oil Co. in Missouri, on the ground of an alleged unlawful combination, was resumed before Special Commissioner Anthony in the Court of Appeals rooms at 2 p. m. Wednesday.

Arguments will be heard on the petition filed by Attorney-General Hadley at the previous hearing in St. Louis to compel the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. to produce all books and papers in its possession relating to combinations or contracts between the two companies.

A similar petition will also be filed by the Attorney-General against the Republic Oil Co.

Mr. Hadley expected to get the information contained in the books and papers when the hearing was resumed at Kansas City last week.

Counsel for the defendant corporation, however, protested that sufficient notice to produce the books and papers had not been given.

It was in this connection that Judge Henry S. Priest, counsel for Standard Oil, compared John D. Rockefeller to Dreyfus. Both, he said, had suffered because of devotion to their duty.

State Is Divided.

Evidence thus far has revealed that the Standard Oil Co. has divided the State of Missouri, for trade purposes, into three districts.

In one district the Republic Oil Co. enjoys the exclusive privilege of selling oil, the Waters-Pierce exercising similar supervision in the second district, while the remaining district is left to the Standard Oil Co. itself.

One company cannot sell under any circumstances in the district of another company.

The reports of the three companies are sent to 3 Broadway, New York, the home of the Standard Oil Co.

Further the testimony disclosed that the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. was compelled to sell out to the trust or else take chances on being driven out of business.

Mr. Hadley feels confident of winning the case. He says the State has proved his contention beyond a doubt. The entire testimony will be submitted to the Supreme Court probably early in the fall when a prompt decision is expected.

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readers every day than it has homes. "First in everything."

Federal Judge McPherson Says: "Knowing Allegations in Suit; No Intelligent Person Would Invest in Institution and No Honest Examiner Would Indorse It."

HOLDS NO JURISDICTION
TO OVERRULE CORTELYOU

In Opinion He Asks Why Lewis' Attorneys Don't Allege Stockholders and State Authorities Satisfied and Tell How All the Loans Are Secured.

Judge Smith McPherson refused Wednesday the injunction asked by the Lewis Bank against Postmaster Wyman to restrain him from carrying out the instructor in the fraud order issued by Postmaster-General Cortelyou.

He also set aside the temporary restraining order, issued a week ago, under which the Postmaster had been compelled to hold the Lewis mail in the local office instead of returning it to the senders, which he is required to do by the fraud order, and which he will now resume, marking it "fraudulent."

Immediately after the decision Assistant Postmaster Henry P. Wyman gave instructions to clerks to begin stamping "fraudulent" and returning to the senders the thousands of letters which have been accumulating in the Post-office since the restraining order was issued a week ago. It is expected that all this mail will have been sent out by Wednesday night.

In this opinion, Judge McPherson said, in part: "Knowing only the allegations of this bill, it is strange to me that any intelligent person could be found who would invest a dollar in this bank; and a prudent and honest bank examiner would never, on the information conveyed in this bill, make a report indorsing such a bank."

The main decision relied upon by Lewis' attorneys was a Kansas City case, decided by Judge Amidon, in which it was held that a court has the right to review the decisions of the Postmaster-General.

Judge McPherson held that, as this case had been appealed to a higher court, it could not be considered to be the law by him when there were many uses of mails merely a privilege.

That the Assistant Attorney-General is an officer of the Postoffice Department, and the hearing of the case by him was legal.

That the right of a person to receive mail is only a privilege, and is not a constitutionally right.

That the granting of a hearing by the Postoffice Department before the issuance of a fraud order is not obligatory.

That a court has not the right to review the evidence before the Post-office Department on the ground that it was not sufficient, for the reason that the statutes say it is only necessary for the evidence to be to the satisfaction of the Postmaster-General.

Regarding the allegations of the petition asking an injunction, the court said: "It has been seen what the bill charges. As affirmative relief is asked, it is pertinent to consider what the bill does not recite."

Did Stockholders Have a Voice?

cases decided by the higher courts holding the opposite view.

Judge McPherson held the following to be the law on the several points brought to his attention in the arguments.

That there was nothing new or wrong in the Assistant Attorney-General refusing Lewis' attorneys the right to see the reports of the Postoffice Inspectors, on which the citation for a fraud order was based, and that these reports were rightfully considered prima facie evidence against the Lewis bank.

"It gives but partial information as to who of the many officers are on a salary and the amounts of their salaries."

"Who of the stockholders have a voice in the management?"

"Do the original incorporators control the election of directors and officers?"

"If all the stockholders vote, is it by proxy, and are proxies voluntary or by agreements?"

"How often and when do stockholders vote?"

"What remedy is offered against stockholders who may become liable?"

"What dividends are promised stockholders?"

"Have stockholders equal rights as to voting or as to profits?"

"The bill recites that the concern is now profitable, but what showing is there that it will remain profitable?"

"To whom is the money loaned?"

"Are the officers borrowing? If in person, or through concerns in which they are interested, then in what amounts?"

"How are such sums secured?"

"Are endorser good?"

"If securities are ample can they be readily converted into cash?"

"What relation, if any, does the bank sustain to the publishers of the Woman's Magazine?"

"Why does the bill not state that the bank is now conducted to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State?"

"Why does the bill not state that the stockholders, who own the bank, know the situation and are satisfied?"

"How much money was paid in by the incorporators?"

"If paid in, was it paid from their own money, or did they subscribe, then borrow from the bank and then pay?"

"Are incorporators financially responsible?"

"Why is it called a United States bank when it is a State bank?"

Good Men Increase Evil.

Continuing the Court said: "If a business is illegitimate, the fact that men of good reputation are connected with it does not lessen the evil, but largely aggravates it, because of the influence."

"This case was investigated by Post-office Inspectors, who were assigned to the case. They are Government officers acting under oath, and aside from the mail route agents, there is no class of Government employees more faithful, more intelligent and more honest than the inspectors."

"The Postmaster-General has jurisdiction to him. This evidence, in his judgment, was not rebuttal to the prima facie case made by the report of the Postoffice Inspectors. He made findings, and these findings are not reviewable by this court, and such is the holding of the Court."

"It is urged that the evidence on which

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How Can St. Louis Become a City of a Million People?

Send a Practical Answer to the Question to the Post-Dispatch and You May Win the \$500 Prize Offered by This Paper.

Idea men are awake and the Million Population Editor of the Post-Dispatch is in receipt of many letters. Some of the writers who offer suggestions of ways and means to increase the population of St. Louis to one million or more fail to observe the strict injunction to work out their ideas in detail, to tell how the plan they propose can and should be carried out.

The man or woman who wins the \$500 prize offered by the Post-Dispatch for the best suggestion, must be practical, must tell what to do, how to do it, and why it should be done.

It is not enough to throw out a single bone of a plan and expect that to win the prize. The whole skeleton must be built up and covered with living flesh.

For instance, it is not enough to say advertise; the winner must set out a definite plan for advertising, must show where the money is to be found, what the money is to be spent, what is to be advertised and to whom.

A number of writers do not seem to be aware of the existence in St. Louis of several associations, such as the Business Men's, the Manufacturers' and the

Conditions of Contest.

THE Post-Dispatch renews its offer of a prize of \$500 for the best practical suggestion of ways and means to increase the population of St. Louis to one million or more.

Write as many letters as you wish and address them to the Million Population Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Each letter to one suggestion and give a practical plan for carrying out that suggestion.

There is no limit on the number of words in each letter, but brevity will be considered as one of the elements by the Committee on Award.

The contest will close on Sept. 1, 1935.

Civic Improvement, all dedicated to the booming of the city.

More associations are not needed, but plans on which these associations may work to the practical end of increasing the city's population are needed.

Beats that in mind if you would win the \$500 prize.

Following are some of the letters received in the mail today:

A Plan for Homes.

Million Population Editor.

St. Louis needs the philanthropist to gain the million population.

Let them acquire a large area of land, beautify same with parks, artificial lakes, boulevards and water and

means and sewerage, donate church and school sites and sites for other public buildings.

These lots should be sold only as home sites within the city limits, with a system of street car service.

Let them encourage the young men and women to marry on a small salary, by so doing

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CHARLES EDWARD IS SWORN IN AS KING

Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha Reaches Majority and Mounts Throne.

GOTHA, Duchy of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, July 18.—Duke Charles Edward of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, assumed the reins of government today on attaining his majority.

The new occupant of the ducal throne was received at the railroad station with military honors and proceeded to the castle of Friedenstein, where he met his mother, the Duchess of Albany.

The formal ceremony, after taking the oath of installation, occurred in the throne room in the presence of representatives of Emperor William, King

Edward and other rulers, the cabinet ministers and a brilliant assemblage of officials and deputations from various parts of the duchy.

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The only way to buy a Diamond with shrewdness is at the famous Lottis Credit System.

Easy monthly or weekly payments. Lottis Bros. & Co., 22 floor, 8th and Olive sts.

Tries for Car; Fractures Skull.

Jake Schnell, aged 36, of 330 Madison street, is a patient at the City Hospital suffering from a fracture of the skull.

He had been driving a car at Spring and Manchester avenues, and was thrown to the street, striking his head on the pavement. His condition is serious.

Earlier Departure.

On and after July 23 Illinois Central "New Orleans Special" will leave St. Louis Union Station at 2:15 noon.

No change in Memphis Limited for New Orleans, leaving at 9:40 p. m.

"Do you feel sure of finding anything in your arctic expedition?" asked the unscientific person.

"Certainly," answered the arctic explorer, "there are always remains of previous expeditions to be found."

PILE SUFFERERS:

Only you know what it means to be afflicted with a bad case of piles, fistula or, in fact, any disease of the rectum.

Many of you have been afflicted for years to a greater or less extent. You have been doctoring with different physicians.

You have tried every advertised remedy, so-called pile cures, all without receiving any permanent or lasting benefit.

Now why should you go on experimenting and suffering longer? Stop long enough to examine my work as I have asked you to do in this and former advertisements. It will pay you the best of anything you can do and it certainly is easy to do.

Since the first of May I have published a book as you wish and learn directly from them what I did for them, what they think about my methods, treatment, ability and reliability, etc. You can surely depend upon what they say. They were cured by me.

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ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH.

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A Democratic victory in the Buckeye State would be something like a Republican victory in Missouri.

As summer whisks grow 20 per cent faster than winter whisks, the barber lid has been removed just in time.

It is well that college men should seek the Western wheat field. Their moral earnings may grow in rural communities.

No building in St. Louis should be permitted to become "an inhabited sewer." Liberty is a heavenly blessing, but so is health.

INSOLENT LAWLESSNESS.

The open resumption of gambling at the Delmar racetrack is one of the most insolent and defiant examples of lawlessness that the State of Missouri has witnessed. In the pursuance of their thieving occupation the racetrack gamblers trample upon the law, in which the will of the people is expressed, and defy the authority of the State.

But while the gamblers are lawbreakers who should have short shrift in the courts, the responsibility for these lawless conditions rests with the officers of the law in St. Louis County. The gamblers would not dare openly violate the law if they did not rely upon the county law officers to protect them in their lawlessness. The swindlers and gamblers who are operating in St. Louis County are shielded by a gambling ring.

The gambling ring could be destroyed if Attorney-General Hadley would be his whole duty. His former effort to have the law enforced in the county was a farce. He could turn it into a reality if he would take charge of the grand jury and persist in the effort to expose and punish the rascals who are turning the county into a hotbed of vice and crime.

The final responsibility rests with the people of the county. How long will they permit gamblers, thugs, thieves and swindlers to fleece the public and disgrace the county? How long will they permit their law officers to disregard their duties and to bring the law into contempt. Have the good citizens of the county no courage or manhood and no sense of duty and responsibility? Have they no regard for law or for the reputation of their community?

Othello's stories were tame compared with those told by Gen. Viljoen to the American widow.

FREE ICE AND PURE MILK FUND.

In order to meet the emergency caused by the extremely hot weather, the Post-Dispatch, on Tuesday, July 18, contributed \$100 to the Pure Milk and Free Ice Fund, and notified the Free Ice Circle of the King's Daughters to supply every need for free ice, and the Post-Dispatch would defray the expense.

This was done in order to immediately prevent, as far as possible, the direful effects of the sudden hot wave upon the children in the crowded districts. Owing to the generosity of its readers, the Post-Dispatch has carried on a free-ice fund successfully for years, which has been the means of saving many lives. This year the fund is for pure milk and free ice, the city having been given a complete Pasteurizing plant by Mr. Nathan Straus.

With the \$100 contributed by the Post-Dispatch, the fund was \$189.95 up to and including July 18. This is a good beginning, but if the need is to be met a large sum will be required. All cases of necessity must be cared for. This will take several thousand dollars.

The benevolent people of St. Louis will undoubtedly meet this need with their contributions. They recognize the fact that it is a privilege to be able to prevent suffering and save the lives of the little children.

All arrangements are made for the effective distribution of the free ice and pure milk. The Post-Dispatch will gladly acknowledge all contributions to the fund. A small sum may save some baby's life. Will you not join the roll of honor?

Should the Chinese boycott hit Missouri ginseng we shall surely recognize the yellow peril.

WHICH IS WHAT, AND WHY?

The public of St. Louis just now is engaged in trying to unravel the mystery of three cases of double personality—that of Judge-Prosecutor Wells, that of Private Citizen-Private Secretary McConkey and that of Booster-Banker Lewis.

The first is presiding over the trial of Health Commissioner Simon; the second is before the public as the double-barreled power that formulated the charges against that official, and the third is the head and front of the United States People's Bank, against which a fraud order issued by the Government is now in force.

At what point does Judge Wells cease to be Prosecutor Wells, and at what point do the duties of Prosecutor Wells commence, in the eyes of Judge Wells?

Is Private Secretary McConkey private secretary only when he is using the Mayor's stationery in the office or out of it, or is he Private Citizen McConkey only before and after office hours?

Did Booster Lewis become Banker Lewis only after his bank was organized, and can Banker Lewis be held responsible for the glittering promises made to investors by Booster Lewis?

These are some of the perplexing questions with which citizens are wrestling this hot weather. Dr. Jekyll and his old partner, Mr. Hyde, present an easy proposition in comparison.

King Oscar has been made Grand Admiral in the German navy. Perhaps Oscar would do as well on a battleship as Rojostevsky.

A DESERVED SNUB.

George W. Vanderbilt has made himself persona non grata with the newspaper men and women of the Virginia and North Carolina Press Associations, by inviting them to a luncheon in his stables at Biltmore and neglecting to make sure that the tables were set in the best part of the stables.

It is not the first time that millionaires have been guilty of asking members of the press to eat and drink at their expense in the quarters of their serv-

ants, but the Virginia and North Carolina newspaper men and women would have pocketed the insult and sung the praises of Plutus Vanderbilt, but for an unfortunate accident. It seems that some workmen were about to lose their jobs at Biltmore tried to get even with Vanderbilt by placing the tables for the feast close to the cows' stalls, all among the flies and strong odors, instead of in the marble-floored part of the stable where the fine carriages are housed. And the scribes are exceeding wroth at such treatment.

But as long as educated men and women, making their living honestly and in an honorable calling, are willing to be classed with menials in order to eat and drink at a rich man's expense, what cause of complaint have they if the tables are set in the cattle stalls instead of in the servants' hall? The Virginia and North Carolina Press Associations should be discreetly silent. They have themselves to thank for the accidental as well as the intentional snub.

A representative of the Post-Dispatch was ejected from Delmar racetrack because the gamblers did not want the facts about their unlawful and swindling operations published. But the ejection of the Post-Dispatch's representative from the grounds will not prevent the Post-Dispatch from publishing the facts about the lawless racetrack gamblers and their fleeing operations, carried on in defiance of law and the State's authority. The Post-Dispatch will continue to give publicity to the violation of the law, and to the neglect of their duty by the county law officers. We shall continue to cry aloud for the enforcement of the law until all the law-breaking gamblers are put out of business into jail, where they belong. We shall fight the gamblers' ring until its corruption is exposed and its members punished. The Post-Dispatch will devote all the power of publicity at its command to this public service.

THE RECIPROCITY ISSUE.

The administration has reason to be alarmed at the growth of the sentiment in favor of reciprocity and the reduction of the tariff. The call for the reciprocity conference to be held in Chicago Aug. 15 and 16 is signed by 15 strong business organizations, representing the stock growers, meat producers, millers, manufacturers and the Chicago Board of Trade and Commercial Association.

The call does not mince words. It pronounces retaliation a failure and demands fairer trade relations with foreign nations and the substituting of the principle of reciprocity for that of exclusion and retaliation which, the call declares, is strangling the American export trade.

There is a slap at the controlling element of the Republican party in the statement of the signers of the call that they stand upon the broad platform enunciated by President McKinley at Buffalo. In respect to reciprocity, President Roosevelt has been unable to redeem his pledge to carry out the McKinley policy.

The Merchants' Exchange of this city has not only accepted the invitation to participate in the conference, but has adopted strong resolutions favoring reciprocity and urging the President and Congress to take action by reciprocity treaties or by modification of the tariff to avert the threatened loss of our foreign commerce.

The Chicago call designates this commercial problem as "the most important single issue before the American people." The statement should be broadened to embrace the whole tariff question. The tariff is the mother of the trusts and menaces not only our foreign commerce, which, of course, is a menace to our domestic industries, but oppresses the domestic consumer. It threatens our export trade with strangulation and the wage-earners with starvation, through the increased cost of living.

NOT READY FOR THE CRANKS.

For years a number of cranks have been urging matrimonial selection as a cure for many of humanity's evils. They wish us to look upon human beings as a higher kind of cattle, and would have all kinds of prohibitions placed around the marital relation. Among the most prominent advocates of this policy are Mrs. Victoria Woodhull, who published a magazine to foster it, and George Bernard Shaw, who seems to think England's future depends upon it.

But that the world is not at all ready for undue matrimonial meddling is shown by the experience of Prof. Frederick Starr of the University of Chicago. Prof. Starr invited a number of married or engaged couples to come up and be inspected, so that he could pronounce scientific judgment upon their individual fitness for the wedded state. In his eyes, matrimony is an anthropological problem, with which Cupid should have nothing to do. It is a matter of measurements, health, color of hair, reach of arm, length of limb, ancestral history, etc.

Of course, every one took the professor's invitation for a joke. No one has, so far, taken the matrimonial cranks seriously. It would be a sad day for the world if they should gain the day for their cold-blooded cause.

The bony growth on Gen. Wood's head has been removed by skillful surgeons. Almost any man would have a growth of the head if jumped over hundreds of other officers.

Mr. Jerome accuses Gov. Folk of a lack of humor. But the Governor has at least not made himself a laughing stock as Mr. Jerome did in his Western interviews.

Only the German language is rich enough to express the German idea of the Sabbath lid. No English is so filling as Sonntagszwang and Sonntagszwannerei.

Nettle and milkweed, burdock and thistle, have all forgotten that there is a weed ordinance for vacant lots.

It is easier to understand the moral earnings of rural communities than the differentiated possibilities of potentialities.

There is no summer dullness so long as the city crowd can see safes raised or watch a rushing fire engine.

JUST A MINUTE

Mr. Peary.

Don't you envy Mr. Peary.
Headed for a Northern climate,
Where the winds are cooling, cheery.
Brisk and breezy all the time?

Don't you envy Mr. Peary,
Sailing straight for Arctic seas,
Far away from gardens beery,
And from bars and breweries?

Don't you envy Mr. Peary—
You with perspiration soaked,
And of waves caloric leary,
To the boiling point provoked?

Don't you envy Mr. Peary?
Don't you wish that you could go
Sailing with your little dearie
In a land of ice and snow?

Don't you envy Mr. Peary?
Don't it nearly break your heart,
Watching him with visage tary
For the frigid zone depart?

First Get Your Dog.

Coley, a St. Louis dog, widely known in his neighborhood as "the drunk man's friend," is dead.

Well, somebody or something has got to be the drunkard's friend; but even some dogs don't fancy the job.

The drunkard does not deserve any friends, you say? Oh, well, he must have had a lot of friends at one time, else he would hardly have become a drunkard, you know. That is, you know that if you know drunkards. It is always friends who make drunkards. Having completed their task, they cast the finished product aside, having no pride in their handiwork.

Having no human friends, the drunkard goes to the dogs. But even the dogs don't always receive him with favor. Coley was an exception. Moral: If you are determined to become a drunkard, first make sure of your dog.

At 95 Degrees.

Wouldst accept a little bit of
Sultry summer-day heat?
Keep your temper, at all hazards;
Put your troubles on the ice.

Mr. Swanger.

"Why does Secretary of State Swanger remind you of a baseball magnate who has been disappointed in trying out a new catcher?"

"He was in too much of a hurry to appoint a good receiver, I guess."

"And the receiver was struck out?"

"No; put out on judgment."

Simon, For Example.

It will not do to monkey
With Mr. J. McConkey,
For he will look your record up in style
Extraordinary.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Photographic Frauds.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
I am a little boy, working in a factory. I don't like to work, but I don't want a frame they would not finish pictures unless I paid more. I inclose you their coupon. Do you think that way of doing business right? They talked dreadful when they were told I did not want a frame. I think, to save others like myself, who only have \$5 per week from getting caught by these deadbeats. They should be exposed. I got only six pictures and should have had one dozen. I paid \$1 for half a dozen of the other negative. Please help the working boy in your good way.

HUGH I. BROWN,
Age 14 years. 1330 Hickory st.

Christening Battleships.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Another battleship is to be launched, and Kansas is to be honored by being made its sponsor. Kansas being a prohibition State, it may be permissible to christen it with water, but I cannot see why water, the emblem of purity and cleanliness, should be considered for at all.

A battleship is used to spread death and destruction, and certainly, as intoxicating liquor is credited with being the precursor of death and destruction, here and hereafter, let battleships be baptized therewith, and let water be reserved for better uses, as for instance, ships which should be devoted to use of carrying messengers of the Prince of Peace to other lands.

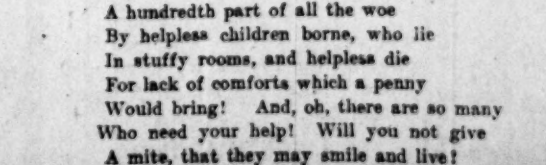
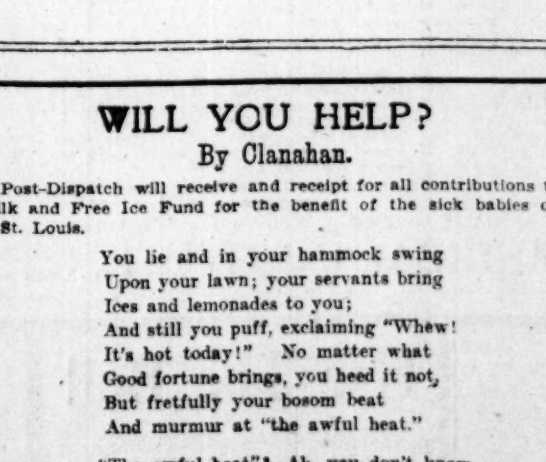
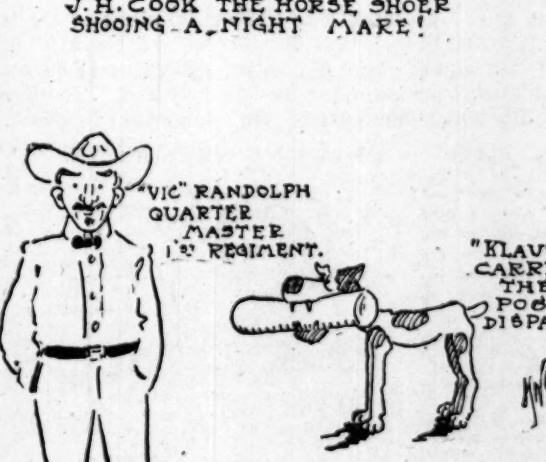
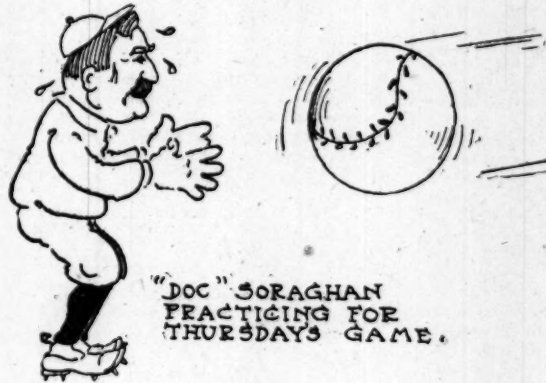
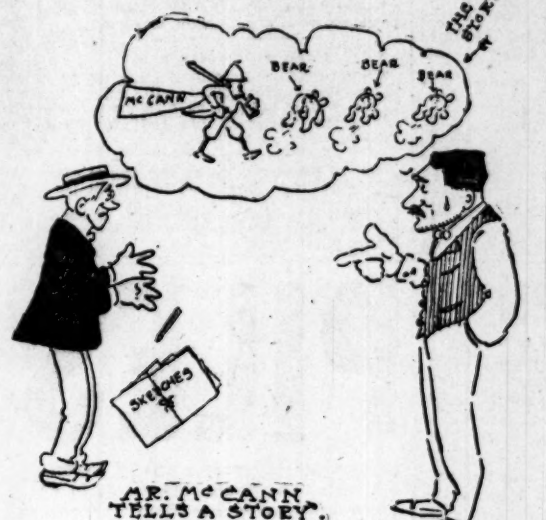
Democratic Outlook.

The Commoner says that "the woods are full of wide-awake Democrats." While our knowledge of other States is limited, we do know that many Democrats have taken to the woods in Missouri in recent years because they were "wide awake." Their reasons for having done so are fundamentally sound. And had it not been for Circuit Attorney Polk, Missouri would have a Republican Governor today. If the politicians don't stop talking harmony of the mind manifested at the State convention in July, 1904, the idea of making a campaign next year might as well be abandoned right now in order to avoid the sad consequences of ignominious defeat. Harmony with the machine men turned out and down at the last election will not bring out the Democrats; neither will the optional poll-tax suggested by Mr. Jerome. That is leave it to executive officers to say what laws to enforce. Only the present administration, but means honest government, after all, it may be that it will take Gov. Folk to bring the Democrats out of the "woods" all over the country in 1908.

As you have frequently pointed out the errors made by compromising away principles for the sake of harmony, the above is respectfully submitted with the hope that such blunders will not be repeated for the next contest.

CHAS. J. MAURER.

Little Sketches in the Vicinity of Jefferson and Cass Ave.



BABY DREW.

By Rose Marion.

"B Y-E-Y." Happed eleven-months old Eleanor Drew as she waived her little hand in farewell. Eleanor would be a beautiful child if she had health, and her teeth didn't make her cry so much. Every now and then she forgets her burning gums and the pain in the back of her little curly head and smiles. Then you know her possibilities.

Eleanor is the only baby in the Drew family, that lives at 1108 Middle street. There was another, but it died, which makes the love for Eleanor all the more tender.

Eleanor's father is seriously ill of consumption and his suffering in this hot weather is great. Because of recent operations he must wear bandages that add to the fever of his body and real sleep never comes to him.

Eleanor's mother is a brave little woman, whose seventh wedding anniversary was Monday. She cares for her sick husband and she walks her sick baby and tries to keep from worrying—there is special reason why she should.

But it's all hard, even if she tries to hide her troubles with smiles so the sick ones won't know. Her hair is a light brown, and in it one sees touches of the light hair of her father's and the dark brown of her mother's.

She has been growing stronger since she began to drink pasteurized milk. Two weeks ago she weighed 14 pounds and 5 ounces, last week her weight was 15 pounds. She will have her first birthday Aug. 6.

Eleanor has one treasure—her mother's doll. Not always is she permitted to play with the doll because her mother would like to keep that memory of her childhood until Eleanor is large enough to understand that china breaks easily.

Eleanor's doll revived memories for me. It might be a sister of my doll, Ollie, who hasn't been played with for so long.

Never before in all my views of dolls had I seen one like Ollie, and I exclaimed as if I had met a long-lost friend when I saw Eleanor's doll sitting on the window sill.

Never saw another doll with coiffures and jeweled combs—like mine—and necklaces like theirs. The shoes of Eleanor's doll are worn out, mine are still shiny.

Eleanor was crying when I came, the breeze of the street wasn't doing much to cool the little corner where she sat in her chair. The heat and her teeth made life hard for her. Her mother held her while we talked and that pleased her.

The future doesn't look bright to Eleanor's mother, but she is thankful because she has her for the sick ones and pure milk for the baby.

I SAW ---

ONE southbound Bellefontaine car Sunday afternoon that was on time and on which nearly all of the passengers had seats. I thought Capt. McCulloch ought to get a special report from that crew on how they did it and have it framed and then the Tenth Ward Improvement Association should vote them medals.

"WHITE-WINGS" cleaning his section of the street after a street car load of cinders had been dumped and hauled away. "It ain't right," he said, "to throw that black stuff on my nice white street. They ought to make them fellows get a fire hose and scrub it. I can't sweep such dirt off this dry weather."

MAN on a Spring avenue car ask the conductor: "Say, old man, give me a Jefferson avenue transfer and punch it three hours ahead. Then I can see the ball game between cars." Quer request; it seemed. "All right," said the conductor. And he did—which was even more queer.

ALEX SMITH came on the floor of the Merchants' Exchange with a large handful of the eye-colored gladiolus. Instantly he was surrounded by a score of men, each of whom wanted a blossom for his coat lapel. "It is merely a fancy of mine that men look better and are better for wearing a bit of nature's color and I like those flowers," said Mr. Smith. "They are little cultivated, yet they are harder and bloom more freely than sweet peas."

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CASEY, THE COP.

He Discusses the Nature of "Hoomiditty."

"T ILL me," said Casey, the ladies' cop, as he stopped his friend the reporter who was on his way to the levee to ascertain the stage of the river at 12 o'clock. "Till me wot is this hoomiditty that the Wither Burrod talks so much about these days?"

"The wather in the air ye say? And there is lots of it these days, that makes it so blame hot, ye till me?"

"Well, well, well," and Casey twirled his club leisurely as his countenance assumed a reflective manner, showing that he was studying the phenomena of atmospheric conditions carefully. "I've been on this corner for sivil years and I never heard thot before. Why—"

"Yis, lady, the Chootoo avomoo caars runs out Olive street—that is if the motorman is crazy, but ye had better thry Pine street," replied Casey to the countrywoman who had lost her way.

"But as I was sayin', if there's more wather floatin' around now than usual I haven't seen it. All day long there has been only one wather waggin by here, while 20 beer thrucks goes by every hour. I think it is beer in the air ye means insid of wather."

"My, oh my," sighed Casey as he stepped gingerly over the granite blocks after helping a timid lady across the street. "These patent leather shoes does hurt me fete this weather. If Campbell was chafe now we might maybe wear yellow shoes, but never while Matchew Kieky holds down the job will he let his min wear kials of thot color."

ANSWERS TO POST-DISPATCH READERS

RULES—One question; one initial. No business address given. No bets. Only simple legal questions. "Answers," Post-Dispatch; postal cards if convenient.

J. H. F.—Lajole, Lanz-wa.
S.M.—Pure olive oil plumps.
H. L.—Don't know fuzzy cocktail.
JOHNSTON—May wind storm, 14th.
E. M.—Galesburg dailies, Mail, Republican.
P. Y.—Thomas W. Lawson, financier, Boston.
INQUISITIVE—Best man hands preacher fee.
F.—(Correction)—Vermiform appendix, right side.
M. B.—Write Agricultural Department, Washington.

W. H. N.—Rabbits and squirrels peaceful in same cage.
GRATIFUL—Weather bird invented by Post-Dispatch, 1800.

G. O.—Medical colleges, free clinics, for treatment of ear without cost.
V.A.N.—Average width of Mississippi at Eads Bridge, 200 feet; at low stage, 1500.

M. B.—It is proper for you to congratulate the gentleman whom your cousin is to marry.
TEMPLE—Groomsmen sometimes washes bride into church and delivers her to bridegroom.

G.—Don't stunt the growth of a young dog. This barbarism is accomplished by alcoholism.
C. J. B.—Pure spring water, river water and well water are all recommended for goldfish.

ALTON—Business suits not worn at stylish weddings. Full dress for evening weddings.
Y. X.—Landlord must give monthly tenant 30 days' written notice, whether rent be paid or not.

J. R.—No back numbers of Post-Dispatch after 30 days. Try Public Library file of this paper.
EX-SOLDIER—Hamilton Fish Jr., Sergeant of Rough Riders, was killed in the battle of Las Guasimatas.

M. B.—To become purchasing agent for any establishment you must apply for the place or advertise for it.
W. K. V.—We don't know "best places" for what harvest hands. It is now too late for Kansas. Dakota harvest, August.

E. W.—In paralysis agitans there is improvement if treatment is early, but cure is improbable. It does not tend to shorten life.
H. A. D. SMART—Best let the young lady ask you to call again. It is impossible for the wisest of men to guess what a young woman is thinking.

F. F.—Sore and tired feet. Talcum powder, 5 parts; alum, 2 parts; salicylic acid, 1 part. Mix well and shake a pinch into each shoe in the morning.
ADYACLES—See Asop's Fables for the old man and his sons and the bundle of sticks. One of McCulloch's has it.

C. J. W.—When mortgaged real estate is sold for taxes, the purchaser gets the title the sheriff has and takes property subject to all liens and mortgages.
C. F.—Peroxide of hydrogen applied to the roots of the hair lightens, but we do not recommend it, as such they are likely to be harmed by curling if you do not use curling iron.

C. M. P.—July park concerts: 15, Carondelet; 20, Forest; 25, La Salle Playground; 25, Forest; 30, Carondelet; 30, Forest and O'Fallon.

W.—Barbers are licensed by State in Connecticut, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Washington and Wisconsin several other States.

N. R.—We do not know how you can prevent plague in the throat unless it be by making yourself as healthy as possible through work, exercise, careful diet, pure thought and avoidance of unnecessary habits.

READER.—We have no oxalic formula for cleaning straw hats. Dilute peroxide of hydrogen in equal amount of water; rub gently with small sponge; wipe off quickly with soft cloth so as not to let the peroxide soak in.

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LAUNCEY.—If man and woman are married either by license from the State or by mutual compact published by themselves in remarks and conduct, they are so in the eyes of the law, unless they are a decree of court divorces them. If they deny the relation of husband and wife after living together as such they are likely to be so bastardized their children.

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W. P.—If a woman marries a second husband while undivorced from her living first husband, from whom she has heard within seven years, she remains wife to the first husband, as the second marriage is void. What is really a void marriage cannot be made valid by the acts of the parties. If, after the first husband's death, the woman lives with the second husband and to his knowledge the first husband is dead, cohabitation and holding out to the world themselves as husband and wife would be proof that a common law marriage took place between them after the first husband's death.

At the Dawn.

A history of seven hours told
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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.
Jim and Hazel Loftus are living in the front parlor of a Market street rooming house. Madame Hinton, an old fortune teller, has the back parlor. She spends the evening with them, celebrating in music and beer. When only Jim Loftus drinks, the gaining of \$1000 from a German cattle buyer who specializes in belugas who can give him back. A girl pig's tail in a silk bag is all he gets for his money. The Loftus couple are on the verge of divorce, but at present are out of an engagement. Madame Hinton has given them sufficient money for rent and food from her windfall. A beautiful woman, hand-dressed, takes Madame Hinton away and while she is gone Hazel Loftus searches the fortune teller's room for her diamonds, which she did not have on when last seen, but she returns unexpectedly, finding Hazel securing the door between the apartments, and it is then seen that she is wearing her diamond earrings and brooch. Madame Hinton has a chest, a big, evil-looking man. She gets the Loftus couple to watch at, so she deals with him. He comes to tell her past for Lora, alarms her and she screams. Hinton interferes and the man throws Madame Hinton against the iron bed and escapes. While Madame is unconscious Hazel Loftus steals her bag of money. Madame Hinton on recovering thinks the big man stole it. She has recognized him as someone who has been heard, and tells her man of all work. One Corrie, that it is "Hil", a communist who that implies Corrie with terror.

CHAPTER III.

The Flight of Hazel.

"YOU know the man?" Loftus asked incredulously.

"Yes," the madame admitted. "Not at first—not until—until I

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woke up after that jar. Then in a flash it came to me. I haven't seen him for 20 years, and he has grown bigger and coarser, and—well, somehow, he is different.

She spoke slowly, seeming to feel the need for reticence and yet impelled to speak by some inward force.

"He was my husband—my second husband. He had lots of money, but he gambled and when his money was gone I helped him and he—oh, I won't talk of it!" she ended suddenly, defying that strange force which was bidding her answer all the questions in the minds of those grouped about her.

"Poor Lora," moaned old Corrie. "I thought he was gone forever."

"Gene," cried the fortune teller, "go to her at once and tell her he has been here. Go out the back way. She's here whispering, and when the old man leaned down his gray head she whispered an address in his ear."

He was away as swiftly as a man half his years.

"Look the door," she implored Loftus. "What time is it?"

"Eleven thirty."

"Look all the doors. Everybody is in bed."

"I'll see," said Loftus, and went up to the chambers on the second floor. When he came back there was a look of wonder on his face. "No one is at home but us," he said. "Mrs. Gerst and Annie and that big Pete and the little dressmaker in the front hall are all out. Old Mystery's padlock is out and it's dusty. He hasn't been here for a long time, that's sure. Where can everybody be tonight?"

"What night is it?"

"Wednesday."

"The dressmaker might have gone to prayer meeting, but she'd be home before this. Mrs. Gerst goes out as little as I do and I can't understand her taking a cab out at night. Big Pete's on a drunk, perhaps. Lock the doors, anyhow. We'll hear them when they come."

Loftus obeyed lazily and then went into his room. He drew the davenport back to make a passageway from the fortune teller's room for Hazel, who had given up her ministrations on the old woman, and drew the sliding doors together. Then he leisurely undressed and got into bed, where he was soon sleeping the sleep of reaction.

Hazel got Mme. Hinton's clothes off and spread them about on chairs and on the trunk. At her request she mixed a toddy, which the old woman drank in a gulp. Then she bound the bruised hand tightly with a long towel, wet in cold water.

"Thank you, dear," said the old woman faintly. "I believe I'll go to sleep now. You're so good to me."

Had she opened her eyes she might have looked under the dripping bandage into a girl's face distorted by rabid hate.

Hazel went softly into the front chamber, changed her dress for a black gown and put on her hat and coat. She turned down the lamp on the mantel, glancing, nervously, at the sleeping man and stood over him a moment. Tears were in her eyes and her lips trembled.

"In sleep the better side of the man appeared. He slept as captain of men and all doors of deeds, with his lips closed and the breath sighing long at his nostrils in lung expanding inhalations. The jaw was firm, the nose prominent and forceful, the forehead white, high and broad."

A black curling strand of hair traversed her forehead. Hazel brushed it away, gently and kissed the sleeper's lips.

He opened his eyes.

"Where you going?" he asked sleepily.

"To the drug store," she answered calmly. "You'd better lock the door after me. I'll wake you when I come back."

"All right," he murmured and stumbled after her.

She was out the front door before he reached the hall. He locked the door and stumbled back to bed.

Hazel passed on the steps and listened. Then she stepped up Market street toward brilliantly lighted Jefferson and down toward a longer vista of lights. At length she came to a decision and walking very quickly went east.

A carriage almost ran over her at the first corner. She stopped and gazed after it. The horses were pulled up and the front of the house she had quit and the beautiful young woman, Lora, jumped out and ran up the house steps.

Hazel hesitated a moment and then hurried on faster. She walked down when she neared the Union Station and entered the Midway from the western end, quite sedately. A man smiled at her, but she did not heed. A policeman stepped aside, unmoted, to give her space through a throng gathered for the departing trains or leaving from late morning trains. The waiting room was unusually crowded for that hour, and she noted this fact with a sigh of relief. At the ticket window she asked for a ticket to Chicago and reached for the change bag in her breast. An instinct of modesty prevented her.

She slipped away from the window without explanation and went to the ladies' sitting room, where, behind a pillar, screened from observation, she withdrew two \$20 bills from the bag and concealed them in a cuff, for she had no purse. Then she went down to another window of the ticket office and bought a ticket for Chicago.

Some strange fancy caused her to smile on the way downstairs and the smile broadened after the ticket was bought. She brushed her hat crooked

and went toward the corner of the lot into the waiting room made by the ticket office. At one of the side windows she asked in a loud voice for a ticket to New Orleans, and signed foolishly.

"Going to play the races?" asked the clerk.

"Going to kill the bookies," she shrieked and waved a bundle of bills.

He looked her over shrewdly, fetched the ticket, changed her second \$20 bill and, being unemployed, leaned over the ash to converse with her through the grill.

"Going alone?"

"All alone," she sniggered drunkenly. "Better come along."

"Fraid of hubby," he said, facetiously.

"Never mind him," she confided. "I've shook him."

"Won't he follow?"

THE TIN SIDE OF WOMEN'S HEARTS BY NIX OLA GREELEY-SMITH.



OVER in Brooklyn a little matron with tear-dimmed eyes sits bewailing the sad inhumanity of woman to her kind. She is Mrs. Thaddeus Williams Jr., who, anxious to amass \$500 to enable her attorneys to secure the annulment of her marriage, sought the sympathy and financial aid of her sex by advertising a clipping bee, at which only three curiosity seekers with two thousand tickets at 25 cents each had been issued, but, alas! not sold, and the eternal indifference of the supposedly gentler sex to the woes of their own kind was once more exemplified.

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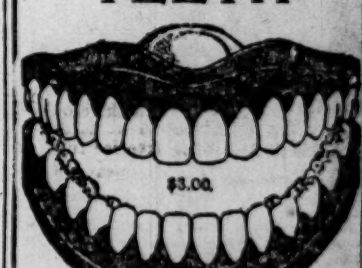
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